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Ms. Lori Hunsaker
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Dear Ms. Hunsaker:

Enclosed are a SHPO Cover Page, two archaeological site forms, and a report titled "Cultural Resources Inventory for the Kane County Emergency Watershed Protection (EWP) Project, Kane County, Utah". In brief, the NRCS completed a cultural resources inventory to support emergency repair and bank stabilization work at ten proposed construction locations in Kane County. A proposed stone quarry was also examined as part of this project. The project occurs on private lands and on lands administered by the State of Utah, Schools and Institutional Trust Lands Administration (SITLA). For the purposes of Section 106, the NRCS will act as the lead Federal agency, while the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers and SITLA will act as cooperating agencies.

The inventory resulted in the identification of a historical irrigation pond (42KA007186), a historical irrigation diversion (Site 42KA007187), and two Civilian Conservation Corps (CCC) erosion control structures (Sites 42KA007188 and 42KA007189). The pond and irrigation diversion have been determined not eligible for the National Register of Historic Places (NRHP), while the two CCC structures have been determined eligible for the NRHP.

The NRCS is recommending that the project proceed as planned and has determined that the proposed construction activities will result in no adverse effects to the historic properties that were identified during the cultural resources inventory. As the lead agency for this project, the NRCS requests concurrence for the eligibility determinations and for the determination of project effects. If you have any questions, comments, or concerns, please contact Andrew M. Williamson, Cultural Resources Specialist, at 801-524-4556 at your earliest possible convenience.

Sincerely,

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Enclosure

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